

AUBURN ARTS COMMISSION

Minutes

November 8, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 8:17 am by Chairman Randy Mealhow at Auburn City Hall, Room 10. Present were: Randy Mealhow, April Maynard, Aloha Baumgarten, Joyce Silva, Lee Buckingham, Rob Turner and Judi Lardner.

A quorum was established and the October 11 Minutes accepted as written and the October 25 Study Session Notes accepted as corrected.

Public Comment: City Manager Bob Richardson, Archie Warren, and Lisa Canfield were welcomed to the meeting.

Mural projects: Randy brought up the *Portraits of Endurance* mural on the Dawson oil tanks. New state requirements require oil tanks to be painted white. He has been in contact with Casey (the owner's daughter) about the mural. There is an exemption process to this rule, which will require emissions testing on a hot day. Casey said that they want to keep the mural, but the background of the mural is fading and will need touching up if the mural can be saved. Bob Richardson reviewed the terms of the easement the City has for the mural (the contract period runs through 2015) and said the City would probably be responsible for handling the repairs. He said that the Western States Endurance Run organization might be approached to fund the renovation. He needs to know how much a facelift would cost and who would do it before he talks to the Western States people. Rob volunteered to contact the mural's painter (Rip Cronk) to see if he has any suggestions on how to approach the repairs. Randy then reviewed the approval process for AAC proposals by the City Council. A general discussion followed regarding the presentation for the Mountain Quarries Bridge mural that Rob and Archie Warren will make at the next Council meeting (November 14). Randy said that he would be giving a brief update to the Council regarding Arts Commission activities at the same meeting.

Auburn Placer Performing Arts Center: Joyce announced that *A Christmas Carol* will be performed at the State Theater in December and that *Rumors* (a Neil Simon play) will be produced in January and February.

Music/Art Festival: Rob said that musicians have been approaching him and asking how to be involved in the festival. Joyce said that putting on the festival would require the involvement of all AAC members. April said someone should check all pertinent calendars to find a date without conflicts.

Mountain Quarries Bridge Gallery Show: Randy described how a juried art show might work and said that someone needs to be in charge. Aloha volunteered to head the effort and Judi and Joyce said they would help. AAC can post a Call to Artists on the placerarts.org website. We could go directly to the state's website but PlacerArts will target the audience we want.

AAC officers for 2012: Randy announced that we need to choose new officers (Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Secretary) at the next meeting.

Goal setting: Judi proposed a formal process for goal setting. A discussion followed about the budget process, funding for Art Walk music, and the Music/Art Festival. There was a general consensus to set goals for the upcoming year at the December meeting. Judi asked for proposals in writing, which she will put into a single document that will be emailed to AAC members prior to the December meeting.

The next regular meeting will be on December 13, 2011 at 8:15 am.

Meeting adjourned at 9:38 am
Respectfully Submitted,
Judi Lardner, Secretary